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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL  
ECONOMIC SUPPORT FOR A RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT

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CHARLES FRANK, WHO IS COORDINATING THE US GOVERNMENT  
EFFORT TO HELP ORGANIZE A FUND FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC  
SUPPORT FOR A RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT, MET WITH AUSTRALIAN  
EMBASSY OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON TO BRIEF THEM ON THE  
DISCUSSIONS HELD WITH THE BRITISH ON OCTOBER 5-7. THESE  
MEETINGS INVOLVED DISCUSSIONS OF THE PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS  
OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND AND OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS AND  
AMOUNTS THAT MIGHT BE REQUIRED FOR THE FUND. FURTHER  
DISCUSSIONS WILL BE HELD IN LONDON ON OCTOBER 13-15 AFTER  
THE BRITISH CHECK WITH THEIR MINISTERS AND WE RECEIVE  
GUIDANCE FROM AN INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP. AIM OF THE  
LONDON DISCUSSIONS IS TO DRAFT A PAPER WHICH WOULD DES-

CRIBE THE FUND AND ITS PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS FOR PRESENTA-  
TION TO POTENTIAL DONORS. TENTATIVELY WE AND THE BRITISH

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HAVE AGREED THAT THE BRITISH WOULD DO THE FOLLOW-UP

BRIEFINGS ON THE LONDON MEETINGS FOR ALL FORMER COMMON-WEALTH COUNTRIES AND WE WOULD DO BRIEFINGS AND PRESENTATIONS TO OTHER POTENTIAL DONORS. THUS AUSTRALIANS SHOULD LOOK FOR MORE DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH THE BRITISH SOME TIME THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 18. FRANK EXPLAINED ALL THESE POINTS TO THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY OFFICIALS HERE SO THE GOVERNMENT WILL ALREADY BE INFORMED. ROBINSON

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